



# Esteban BOVO, Jr.

Miami-Dade County Commissioner | District 13

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Dear Neighbors and Friends:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Mothers Day. The person we are today was shaped by our mother's or a motherly figure in our lives and we should take the time to recognize their hard work and unconditional love.

May God's many blessings

Be yours forever more

And may you know you're valued

And loved by the Lord

Especially on this day

That we have set aside

To show our appreciation

To the Mothers in our lives.

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We also celebrate Memorial Day in remembrance to the men and women who have died while serving in our Armed Forces. May we remember the many sacrifices our military and their families made for our great Nation.

I invite you to read this month's newsletter where you will find information about upcoming community events, county services, April in review and other important legislative updates.

Sincerely,

Esteban Bovo, Jr.

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### Events Around Town

Hialeah  
[7th - Movie at the Library](#)  
and [Golden Passport](#)  
[Outreach](#)  
13th - Council Meeting  
[21st - Movie at the Library](#)  
27th - Council Meeting  
[Miami Lakes](#)  
13th - Council Meeting  
[Palm Springs North](#)  
13th - Civic Association  
Meeting

### Town Calendars

## Mobile Constituent Hours

Our office will be holding mobile office hours every month in order to meet with constituents in the Miami Lakes and Palm Springs North region of District 13.

Monday, May 12th from 1  
to 3 p.m.

Miami Lakes Library  
Branch  
6699 Windmill Gate Road  
Miami, FL 33014

Monday, May 12th from 3  
to 5 p.m.

Palm Spring North Branch  
17601 NW 78th Avenue  
Miami FL, 33015

Should you need any assistance with Miami-Dade County issues or have any concerns that you would like to address with Commissioner Bovo, please come out and meet with him. No appointments are necessary.

## Would you like to serve on a board?

Commissioner Bovo encourages you to become a member of one of the many county wide advisory community boards. These boards serve to advise the Board of County Commissioners on a variety of issues. For a list of District 13's board vacancies, their descriptions and qualifications, please [click here](#). If interested, please send your resume and contact information to [Alessa@miamidade.gov](mailto:Alessa@miamidade.gov). If you have additional questions please call our office at (305)820-8424.

## Affordable Housing Update

As your Miami-Dade County Commissioner, I would like to present affordable housing opportunities throughout the County. My office has verified information provided by the Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development Department about apartments that are/or might become available and may have a waiting list.

For a full listing - [Click Here](#).

***I want to reiterate that these are only possible opportunities for public housing. This is not an official guaranteed from the County.***

## Miami-Dade County Youth Commission Applications Open

The Miami-Dade County Youth Commission gives young people the opportunity to participate in the process of County government. Students from each Commission district represent and express the needs of youth in Miami-Dade and in doing so, advise the Mayor



Miami Lakes



Hialeah



MIAMI LAKES  
Chamber of Commerce

Commissioner Bovo will be the guest speaker for the Miami Lakes Chamber of Commerce membership luncheon, where he will discuss the State of the District.

When: Wednesday, May 7th

Where: Don Shula's Hotel

Networking - 11:30 a.m.

Luncheon - 12:00 p.m.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Martha Diaz at

[mdiaz@miamilakeschamber.com](mailto:mdiaz@miamilakeschamber.com)

### Stay Connected

Join Our Mailing List!



Joining our Newsletter is easy!

Just send your email address by text message:

Text  
**COMBOVO**  
to **22828** to get started.



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and Board of County Commissioners on matters affecting the youth population.

Applications are now being accepted for the Miami-Dade County Youth Commission (MDCYC), a county advisory board made up of that advises the Mayor and members of the Board of County Commissioners.

Members of the MDCYC must be between 15-18 years of age at the time of appointment and be in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade. To qualify for an appointment, students must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average, demonstrate a sincere interest and motivation to work for the community, and have a background in community-based activities.

For application- [Click Here](#)



**Commissioner Esteban Bovo, Jr.  
and Miami-Dade Transit invite  
you to register for your  
Golden Passport EASY Card**

**El Comisionado Esteban Bovo, Jr. y el  
Departamento de Transporte Público de  
Miami-Dade les invita a inscribirse para su  
tarjeta EASY Card del Pasaporte Dorado**

**To register, bring your Social  
Security Card and a current valid  
Florida ID or driver's license.**

**Para inscribirse, traiga su  
tarjeta del Seguro Social y una  
identificación válida del estado de  
la Florida o su licencia de conducir.**



Senior residents of Miami-Dade County 65 and older ride free on transit with the Golden Passport EASY Card. For more information, call 786-469-5028.

Residentes del Condado de Miami-Dade de 65 años de edad o más viajan gratis usando el transporte público con la tarjeta EASY Card del Pasaporte Dorado. Para más información, llame al 786-469-5028.

### GOODLET SENIOR CENTER

900 WEST 44 PLACE

HIALEAH, FL 33013

**WEDNESDAY/ MIERCOLES 5/7/2014**

**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**FROM THE DAIS**



Commissioner Bovo will be sponsoring an item at the May 6th BCC meeting authorizing conveyance of a county-owned property located on the south side of NW 170th Street between 78th Court and 78th Avenue to the Town of Miami Lakes. The town has asked for the property to develop a pedestrian and bike green path.

Resolution - [Click Here](#)

#### Budget Presentations

On May 23rd, Commissioner Bovo chaired the first and three Finance Budget Presentations. The presentations allowed the department heads and Commissioners to have an open dialogue regarding their proposed budgets for FY 2014-2015. Watch the first presentation [here](#).

The following departments will be presenting on May 21st - Transit, Water and Sewer, Aviation, Elections, Community Action and Human Services, Port Miami, Regulatory and Economic Resources, Public Works and Waste Management, Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces, Public Housing and Community Development, Medical Examiner, Juvenile Services, and Information Technology.

## **APRIL IN REVIEW**

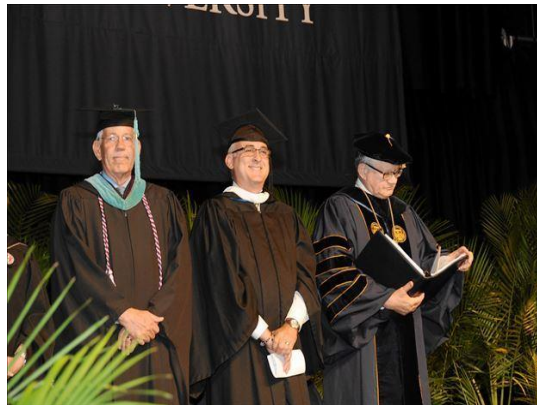
**Florida International University's School of  
International and Public Affairs  
Commencement**

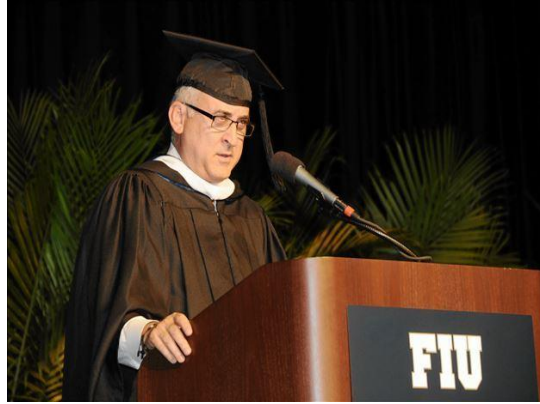




*From left to right- FIU President Mark Rosenberg, Miami-Dade County Commissioner Esteban Bovo, Jr., FIU Provost Douglas Wartzok and Vice President Steve Sauls*

Commissioner Bovo was honored to give the commencement speech for Florida International University's School of International and Public Affairs class of 2014. As a proud alumnus, Commissioner Bovo is dedicated to helping the Panther community "Be Worlds Ahead".





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### City of Hialeah Easter Egg-Stravaganza Event



Commissioner Bovo attended the City of Hialeah Easter Egg-Stravaganza that was held at Goodlet Park. The event included an afternoon of live entertainment that featured young talented artists from Hialeah schools, dance academies and the Goodlet Theater Cultural Arts program.



### **Soccer 5 Dedication Event**



Commissioner Esteban Bovo Jr., Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department dedicated two new lighted Soccer 5 soccer fields at the state-of-the-art 'Soccer 5' Soccer Complex at Amelia Earhart Park in Hialeah. The event also featured a groundbreaking for two new lighted soccer



fields, a new Soccer Field Center and other soccer amenities.

The new soccer fields were designed and funded by Soccer 5 Miami, the facility's operator. Each field is 135-by-90 feet, comprised of 4G synthetic turf and can accommodate 6-v-6 through 8-v-8 matches.



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### **Global Youth Service Day at Amelia Earhart Park**







Commissioner Bovo and more than 150 youth and their families participated in Global Youth Service Day, sponsored by Delta Dental and Marlins Ayudan, at Amelia Earhart Park in Miami on Saturday, April 12, 2014. The volunteer day of service was hosted by the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department, in partnership with the Parks Foundation of Miami-Dade.

Projects included beautifying the park's main entrance and five-acre dog park. More than 650 plants were installed, 300 trees were mulched, and a fresh coat of paint was applied to picnic tables, dog agility equipment and more.

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### **Reading for National Library Week at Miami Lakes**





In celebration of National Library Week, Commissioner Bovo read to infants and toddlers at the Miami Lakes Library. He read "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you see?" and "Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed". The observance of National Library Week is sponsored by the American Library Association held each April at libraries throughout the County.

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### **Autism Awareness Month Ceremony**



Commissioner Bovo along side fellow Commissioners at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center celebrated the unveiling of an art piece in support of Autism Awareness by local artist Romero Britto.

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### **BCC Special Presentations**



Commissioner Bovo was presented with a recognition canvas from the Catholic Hospice for his continued support. He presented a congratulatory certificate to the Miami Lakes Lion's Club on the special occasion of their 50th anniversary.



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## **Our Kid's Child Welfare Professionals Graduation Event**



Commissioner Bovo was the keynote speaker at Our Kid's Child Welfare Professionals Graduation. The sixteen graduates became child welfare case managers. The training took place over approximately 12 weeks. It is designed to prepare them to better serve the children and

families in the community who are currently dealing with issues surrounding child abuse/ neglect and who may also be part of the dependency court system.

"Our Kids" manages the system of foster care and related services for Miami and Monroe County's abused, abandoned and neglected children. Our Kids is responsible and accountable for 3,500 children in foster care. Our Kids coordinates a network of child welfare services that provide case management, adoption, diversion, family preservation, family strengthening, foster homes, and group and residential care.

[View All Photo Galleries Here](#)

## **COUNTY SERVICES**

### **MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT SPONSORS FARMERS MARKETS**

From April through July 2014, transit riders and members of the community at large will have an opportunity to purchase fresh fruit, vegetables and prepared foods at farmers markets located at the Civic Center and Government Center Metrorail stations. The

farmers markets will be open on Mondays and Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At the Civic Center Metrorail station (1501 NW 12 Avenue), the farmers markets will take place the following Mondays:

Monday, May 5 Monday, June 2



Monday, May 12 Monday, June 9  
Monday, May 19 Monday, June 16  
Monday, May 26 Monday, June 23  
Monday, May 12 Monday, June 30

At the Government Center Metrorail station (101 NW First Street), the farmers markets will take place the following Thursdays:

Thursday, May 1 Thursday, June 5  
Thursday, May 8 Thursday, June 12  
Thursday, May 15 Thursday, June 19  
Thursday, May 22 Thursday, June 26  
Thursday, May 29 Thursday, July 3

Miami-Dade Transit is sponsoring the farmers markets.

The Market Company, which is coordinating the farmers markets, has voluntarily committed to donating a percentage of their proceeds from the bazaars to the United Way.

To learn more about becoming a vendor, please contact The Market Company at 305-531-0038 or at [Claire@themarketcompany.org](mailto:Claire@themarketcompany.org). For more information about the United Way, visit [www.unitedwaymiami.org](http://www.unitedwaymiami.org), or call (305) 860-3000.

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# MARLINS Ayudan ADOPT - MANIA

SUNDAY, MAY 4  
9AM - 2PM



- 50% off pet adoptions
- Free vaccinations
- Free spay/neuter

(For free spay/neuter you MUST call and register for appointment prior to event. For dogs call 3-1-1 and for cats call 305.233.9958 or email [meowmobile@thecatnetwork.org](mailto:meowmobile@thecatnetwork.org))

The first 100 guests to adopt a cat or dog will receive 2 FREE tickets to a select Marlins regular season home game in June 2014.

Marlins Park West Plaza  
501 Marlins Way  
Miami, FL 33125

For more information, call 3-1-1 or visit [miamidade.gov/animals](http://miamidade.gov/animals)  
Parking will be available in West 3 Lot (NW 16th Avenue and NW 3rd Street)



MIAMI-DADE  
COUNTY

ASPCA

[www.marlins.com/animals](http://www.marlins.com/animals)

CONNECT  
ADOPT  
LOVE  
[WWW.MIAMIDADE.GOV/ANIMALS](http://WWW.MIAMIDADE.GOV/ANIMALS)

## COMMUNITY UPDATES

# Movie @ the Library

Great books can become great movies!

Join us for a film screening  
and discussion at:

John F. Kennedy Library  
190 West 49th Street  
Hialeah, FL 33012

Select Wednesdays

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

For more information,  
please call (305) 821-2700

